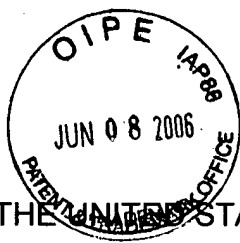


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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 8, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2006, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until June 8, 2006.

Applicants note that this response is being filed by the initial due date for response whereby an extension of time and the government fee associated therewith should not be necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application. However, if any extension of time is required, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee, including any necessary extension of time and/or claim fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on 15 of this paper.